

House Resolution 1134

By: Representative Epps of the 140th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Twiggs County on the occasion of its bicentennial
2 anniversary; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Twiggs County was formed on November 14, 1809, after a large number of
4 area citizens desired to break away from the growing Wilkinson County; and

5 WHEREAS, one of the oldest counties in Middle Georgia, the county's name was derived
6 from the illustrious hero, Major General John Twiggs, who represented Georgia during the
7 Revolution; and

8 WHEREAS, in 1810, the Georgia State Legislature established the City of Marion as the
9 county seat, which was one of the leading towns in middle Georgia during that time; and

10 WHEREAS, by the 1840's the City of Macon was growing rapidly and attracting business
11 and professionals away from Marion, and the county seat was moved to Jeffersonville in
12 1849; and

13 WHEREAS, located in the center of Georgia, Twiggs County has a land area of
14 approximately 365 square miles which is known to grow oak, gum, hickory, bay, and poplar
15 trees; and

16 WHEREAS, the soil in Twiggs County is rich with minerals and the area is one of the chief
17 kaolin producing regions in the United States; and

18 WHEREAS, Twiggs County's oldest church is Stone Creek Church, which was formed in
19 1808, while the county's first school, Twiggs County Academy, was established in 1816; and

20 WHEREAS, on December 13, 2009, residents and visitors will gather on the Twiggs County
21 Courthouse lawn to celebrate Twiggs County's bicentennial anniversary and honor the
22 county's rich history and tradition; and

23 WHEREAS, throughout its 200 years, Twiggs County has been home to many talented and
24 dedicated men and women who have contributed substantially to the progress and
25 development of their community, its civic organizations, and the economic vitality of the
26 state; and

27 WHEREAS, Twiggs County continues to look with optimism toward the future while
28 keeping the proud memory of its beginning close to its heart to share with succeeding
29 generations.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
31 GEORGIA that the members of these bodies commend Twiggs County on its distinguished
32 200 year history and join with the citizens and officials in celebrating its bicentennial.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
34 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the public and members of
35 the press.